THE

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Broke into

SHORT QUESTIONS:

To which is added,

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Together with

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THE Use of these Questions is, to try whether Children repeat their Catechism by Rote, to engage their Attention, and to imprint the Sense of it on their Minds. The Answers to most of them may be found in the very Words of the Church Catechism, in the Questions and Answers under which they are put.



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QUESTION.

THAT is your Name? Answer, N. or M.

Q. Who gave you this Name?

A. My (1) Godfathers and Godmothers (2) in my Baptism, wherein I was made (3) a Member of (4) Christ, (5) the Child of God, and an Inheritor of (6) the Kingdom of Heaven.

By whom was your Name given you? (1)

When was your Name given you? (2) What Name was then given you, your Christian Name, or your Sir-name?

What were you made at your Baptism? (3)

Whose Member were you then made? (4)

Whose Child were you then made? (5) Of what were you then made an Inheritor? (6)

Q. What did your (1) Godfathers and Godmothers then for you?

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A. They did promise and vow three Things (2) in my Name. First, (3) that I should renounce (4) the Devil and (5) all his Works, the Pomps and Vanity (6) of this (7) wicked World, and all the finful Lusts (8) of the Flesh. Secondly, (9) that I should believe (10) all (11) the Articles of (12) the Christian Faith. And thirdly, (13) that I should keep (14) God's holy Will and Commandments, and walk (15) in the same (16) all the Days of my Life.

Who promised three Things in your Name? (1) In whose Name did they promise them? (2)

What is the FIRST Thing your Godfathers and Godmothers promised in your Name? (3)

Whom did they promise you should renounce,

abhor, and not yield to, but refift ? (4)

Whose Works did they promise you should renounce and forsake? (4)

How many of the Devil's Works did they pro-

mise you should renounce? (5)

What Pomps (or Pride) and Vanities, did they promise you should renounce? (6)

What is the World called in the Catechism? (7) What sinful Lusts did they promise you should

renounce? (8)

What is the SECOND Thing your Godfathers and Godmothers promifed in your Name? (9)

What did they promise you should believe? (11)
What Faith is it whose Articles they promised
you should believe? (12)

How many Articles of the Christian Faith did

they promse you should believe? (10)

What

What is the THIRD Thing your Godfathers and Godmothers promifed in your Name? (13)

What are you by this promise to keep? (14)

In what are you to walk? (15)

How long are you to walk in God's holy Will: and Commandments? (16)

Q. Dost thou not think that thou art bound to believe, and to do as they have

promised for thee?

A. (1) Yes verily; and (2) by God's Help fo I will. And (3) I (4) heartily thank (5) our heavenly Father, that he hath called me to this (6) State of Salvation, (7) through Jesus Christ our Saviour. And (8) I pray unto God to give me (9) his Grace, that I may continue in the same (10) unto my Life's End.

By whose Help will you believe and do as your Godfathers and Godmothers have promised for you? (2)

Will you therefore, with your own Mouth ratify and renew that Promife and Vow which was made in your Name at your Baptism? (1)

Into what State were you called by Baptism? (6)

Who called you to it? (5)

Through whom were you called to it? (7)

What Return do you make to God for calling; you to it? (3)

How are you to thank him? (4)

How long do you defire to continue in this State: of Salvation? (10)

Whose Grace must you have to enable you to

How must you obtain God's Grace? (8)

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CATECHIST.

Rehearse the Articles of thy Belief.

Answer.

I. I Believe in (1) God the Father (2)
Almighty, Maker (3) of Heaven
and Earth.

II. And in Jesus Christ his only Son

(4) our Lord.

III. Who was conceived (5) by the Holy Ghost, born (6) of the Virgin

Mary.

IV. Suffered (7) under Pontius Pilate: (8) Was crucified, (9) dead, and (10) buried. He descended (11) into Hell.

V. (12) The third Day (13) he rose

again from the Dead.

VI. He ascended (14) into Heaven, and sitteth at (15) the Right Hand (16) of God the Father Almighty.

VII. (17) From thence he shall come (18) to judge the (19) Quick and the

Dead.

VIII. I believe in (20) the Holy Ghost.

IX. The (21) Holy Catholic Church. The Communion of (22) Saints.

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X. (23) The Forgiveness of Sins.

XI. The Resurrection of the (24)

Body.

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XII. And the (25) Life everlasting.

Quest. How many Articles, or Points of Faith, does the Creed contain?

Anfw. Twelve.

Which is the Ift Article?

What do you believe in ? (1)

What Kind of Father is God? (2)

Who governs the World, and all Things therein by his Providence? (1)

Of what is he the Maker ? (3)

Who made you and all other Creatures? (1)

Which is the Ild Article of the Creed?

Whose Son is Jefus Chrift?

Hath God any more fuch Sons?

Is Jesus Christ then his only Son?

What is Jesus Christ to us? (4)

Which is the IIId Article of the Creed?

By whom, when he became Man, was he conceived? (5)

Of whom was he born? (6)

Which is the IVth Article of the Creed ?

Under whom did he fuffer? (7)

What Death did he suffer? (8)
Was he taken alive from the Cross, or dead? (9)

What was done with him after his Death? (10)

Whither did Christ descend ? (11)

Which is the Vth Article of the Creed?

Did he continue in a State of Death, or did he rise again from the Dead? (13)

What Day after his Death did he rife again? (12)

Which is the VIth Article?

Whither went he after his Resurrection? (14)

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To what Place is he exalted in Heaven? (15) At whose Right-hand doth he fit there? (16) Which is the VIIth Article?

Will he always continue there, or will he come from thence? (17)

What will he come to do? (18)

Whom will Christ judge when he cometh from Heaven? (19)

What divine Person do you profess to believe in

in the VIIIth Article?

What Ghost or Spirit do you believe in? (20)
Which is the IXth Article of the Creed?

What Church do you believe? (21)

What is the Catholic Church called ? (21)

What Communion is there in the Catholic Church? (22)

Which is the Xth Article?

What Forgiveness do you believe? (24)
Which is the XIth Article?

What Refurrection do you believe? (24)
Which is the XIIth Article?

What Life do you believe ? (25)

Q. What dost thou chiefly learn in these Articles of thy Belief?

A. First, I learn to believe in God the Father, who hath (1) made me, and (2) all the World.

Secondly, In God the Son, who hather (3) redeemed me, and (4) all Mankind.

Thirdly, In God the Holy Ghost, who (5) sanctifieth me, and (6) all the elect People of God:

You fay you believe in God the FATHER, GOD THE SON, and GOD THE HOLY GHOST.

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Q. Are these three Gods?

A. No.

2. What are they then?

A. Three Persons in one Godhead.

What did God the Father do for you? (1)

Did he make any more than you? (2)

What did God the Son do for you? (3)

Did he redeem any beside you? (4)

What doth the Holy Ghost do for you? (5)

Doth he fanctify any more than you? (6)

Q. You said, That your Godfathers and Godmothers did promise for you, that you should keep God's Commandments. Tell me how many there be?

A. Ten.

Q. Which be they?

Answer.

THE same which (1) God spake in (2) the twentieth Chapter of Exodus, saying, I am the Lord thy God, who (3) brought thee out of the Land of Egypt, out of the (4) House of Bondage.

Who fpake these Commandments? (1)

In what Place of Scripture do we find these Commandments? (2)

What did God do for his People Israel? (3)

What was the Land of Egypt to them ? (4)

Which is the first Commandment?

Thou shalt (1) have none other Gods but me.

What is forbidden in the first Commandment? (1)
Which

Which is the fecond Commandment?

Thou shalt not make to thy self (1) any graven Image, nor the Likeness of (2) any Thing that is in Heaven above, or in the Earth beneath, or in the Water under the Earth: Thou shalt not (3) bow down to them, nor worship them: For I the Lord thy God am a (4) jealous God, and visit the Sins of the Fathers upon the Children, unto the third and fourth Generation of them that hate me, and shew Mercy unto Thousands in them that (5) love me, and keep my Commandments.

What is it that we are forbidden to make for a God? (1).

What are we forbidden to liken God to? (2)

What are we forbidden to do to the Images or Pictures of other Beings? (3)

What Name doth God here assume, to deter

us from doing these Things? (4)

How are his true Worshippers affected towards.

How do Men shew that they love God? (6)

Rehearse the Third Commandment?

Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God (1) in vain: For the Lord (2) will not hold him guiltless that taketh his Name in vain:

How must we not take or use the Name of God? (1)

What doth God threaten to such as take his Name in vain? (2)

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Which is the Fourth Commandment?

Remember that thou keep holy (1) the Sabbath Day: (2) Six Days shalt thou labour, and do (3) all that thou hast to do: but the (4) seventh Day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God. In it thou shalt do no manner of Work, thou, and thy Son, and thy Daughter, thy Man-servant and thy Maid-servant, thy Cattle, and the Stranger that is within thy Gates. (5) For in (6) six Days the Lord made Heaven and Earth, the Sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh Day; wherefore the Lord (7) blessed the seventh Day, and hallowed it.

What Day is it that we must keep holy? (1)

How many Days in every Week may we labour? (2)

What must we do in those Six Days? (3)

What Portion of Time in every Week must God's Sabbath take up? (4)

2. May we do any manner of Work thereupon?
A. No: except Works of Piety, Necessity, or

Charity.

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If Parents work not themselves, may they not set their Children to work?

May Masters or Mistresses set their Servants or Cattle to work?

Is playing on the Sabbath-day confistent with keeping it holy?

What Reason is given for the Observance of this

Law ? (5)

What did God do for the seventh Day, when he had rested on it? (7)

In how many Days did God make the World? (6)

2. Why did God bless and hallow this Day?

A. That we might rest from our ordinary Works, and in an especial Manner Pray and give Thanks to

him.

Which is the fifth Commandment?

Honour thy (1) Father and thy Mother, that thy (2) Days may be long in the Land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.

Who are the Persons this Commandment requires you to honour? (1)

What may those expect, who honour their Fa-

ther and Mother? (2)

Which is the fixth Commandment?

Thou shalt do no (1) Murder.

What does God forbid in this Commandment? (1)

Which is the feventh Commandment?

Thou shalt not commit (1) Adultery?

What is here forbidden? (1)

Which is the eighth Commandment?

Thou shalt not (1) Steal.

What does this Commandment forbid? (1)

Which is the ninth Commandment?

Thou shalt not bear (1) false Witness against thy (2) Neighbour.

What kind of Witness must you not bear? (1)
Against whom must you not bear false Wit-

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Which is the tenth Commandment?

Thou shalt not covet thy (1) Neighbour's House, thou shalt not covet thy Neighbour's (2) Wife, nor (2) his Servant, nor (2) his Maid, nor (2) his Ox, nor (2) his Ass, (3) nor any Thing that is his.

What is the first Thing you are forbidden to covet? (1)

What other Particulars of your Neighbour's are you forbidden to have an unlawful Defire of? (2)

Which is the Expression in this Commandment that forbids you to covet any of your Neighbour's Goods? (3)

Q. What dost thou chiefly learn by these Commandments?

A. I learn (1) Two Things; My (2) Duty towards God, and my (2) Duty towards my Neighbour.

How many Things do you learn by these Commandments? (1)

Which are these two Things? (2)

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Q. What is thy Duty towards God?

A. My Duty towards (1) God, is to believe in him, to fear him, and to love him (2) with all my Heart, with all my Mind, with all my Soul, and with all my Strength, to worship him, to give him Thanks, to put (3) my whole Trust in him, to call upon him, to honour (4) his holy Name, and (4) his Word; and B

to serve him (5) truly (6) all the Days of my Life.

Whom are you to believe in, love and worship? (1)

How are you to love God? (2)
What Trust must you put in him? (3)
What belonging to God must you honour? (4)
How must you serve him? (5)
How long must you serve him? (6)

Q. What is thy Duty towards thy

Neighbour?

A. My Duty towards my Neighbour is to love him (1) as myfelf, and to do to all Men (2) as I would they should do unto me. To (3) love, (3) honour and (3) fuccour my Father and Mother. To honour and obey (4) the King, and (4) all that are put in Authority under Him. To submit myself to (5) all my Governors, (5) Teachers, (5) Spiritual Pastors, and (5) Masters. To order myfelf (6) lowly and reverently to all my Betters. To (7) hurt no Body by Word or Deed. To be (8) true and just in all my Dealings. To bear (9) no Malice nor Hatred in my Heart. To keep my Hands from (10) Picking and Stealing; and my Tongue from (11) Evilspeaking, Lying, and Slandering. To keep my Body (12) in Temperance, Soberness.

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berness, and Chastity. (13) Not to covet nor desire other Mens Goods; but to learn and labour (14) truly (15) to get my own Living, and to do (16) my Duty in that State of Life unto which it shall please God to call me.

How must you love your Neighbour? (1) How must you do to all Men? (2)

What must you do to your natural Parents, your Father and Mother? (3)

Who must you henour and obey ? (4)
To whom must you submit yourself ? (5)

How must you order yourself to all your Betters? (6)

What are you not to do to any Body? (7)

What must you be in all your Dealings ? (8)

What must you not bear in your Heart? (9)
What are you to keep your Hands from? (10)

What your Tongue? (11)

How are you to keep your Body? (12)

What are you not to do, with respect to other Men's Goods? (13)

What are you to learn and labour for ? (15)

In what manner must you get your own Living? (14)

What are you to do in that State of Life which it shall please God to call you to? (16)

CATECHIST.

My good Child, know this, that thou art not able to do these Things of thyself, nor to walk in the Commandments of God, and to serve him, without his special Grace, which thou must learn at

all times to call for by diligent Prayer. Let me hear therefore if thou canst say the Lord's Prayer.

Answer.

OUR (1) Father, which art (2) in Heaven.

I. Hallowed be thy (3) Name.

II. Thy (4) Kingdom come.

III. (5) Thy Will be done (6) in Earth, (7) As it is in Heaven.

IV. Give us this Day our (8) daily

(9) Bread.

V. And forgive us (10) our Trespasses, (11) As we forgive (12) them that trespass against us.

VI. And lead us not into (13) Temptation; but deliver us from (14) Evil.

(15) For thine is (16) the Kingdom, the Power, and the Glory, (17) for ever and ever. Amen.

Whom do you here pray to? (1)

What Relation does God bear to us? (1)

Where is God in a special Manner present? (2)
Which is the Ist Petition in this Prayer?

What do we therein desire may be hallowed or sanctified (3)

What is the Ild Petition?

What do we therein pray may come? (4)

Which is the IIId Petition?

What do we here ask concerning God's Will? (5)
Where do we pray that this may be done? (6)

How

How do we pray God's Will may be done on Earth? (7)

Which is the IVth Petition?

What is the Thing we beg for in this Petition? (9)

How much Bread do we pray for every Day? (8)
Which is the Vth Pet tion?

What do we here pray to God to forgive? (10). How do we defire God to forgive us? (11)

Whom are we to forgive, if we will be forgiven by God? (12)

Which is the VIth Petition?

What do we here pray not to be led into? (1:3) What do we pray to be delivered from? (14)

Which is the Conclusion of this Prayer? (15)

What do we herein acknowledge to belong to God? (16)

How long do we acknowledge these Things to belong to him? (17)

Q. What desirest thou of God in this Prayer?

A. I defire (1) my Lord God, our heavenly Father, who is the Giver of all Goodness, to send (2) his Grace unto (3) me, and to all People, (4) that we may worship him, serve him, and obey him as we ought to do: And I pray unto God that he would send us (5) all Things that be needful both for our Souls and Bodies; and (6) that he will be merciful unto us, and forgive us (7) our Sins; and that it will please him to save and defend us in (8) all Dangers ghostly and

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bodily; and that he will keep us from (9) all (10) Sin and Wickedness, and from (11) our ghostly Enemy, and from (12) everlasting Death. And this I trust he will do of (13) his Mercy and Goodness, through (14) our Lord Jesus Christ. And therefore I say, Amen. (15) So be it.

Who is the Giver of all Goodness? (1)
What do we first pray to God to send? (2)
To whom do you pray God to send it? (3)
To what End do you pray God to send it? (4)
What are the next Things we pray him to send
us? (5)

For what do you pray God to be merciful to us,

and forgive us? (7)

What do we pray to be faved and defended in? (8)

What do we pray that God would keep us

from ? (9)

Which is the first of those Things we pray that God would keep us from? (10)

Which is the second? (11)

Who is our ghoftly or spiritual Enemy?

Which is the third Thing we pray that God will keep us from? (12)

What Death do we pray against? (12)

What is the roundation of our Tsuft in God?

Through whom do you expect to receive all

good Things? (14)

What is the Meaning of the Word Amen? (15)

Question.

HOW many Sacraments hath Christ ordained in his Church?

A. (1) Two only, as (2) generally (3) necessary (4) to Salvation; that is to say, (5) Baptism, and the (5) Supper of the Lord.

Which are the two Sacraments? name them. (5)
Are these Sacraments necessary? (3)

To what End are they necessary? (4)

Are they necessary only to some particular Christians, or generally to all? (2)

Are there any more than two Sacraments? (1)

Q. What meanest thou by this Word Sacrament?

A. I mean (1) an outward and visible Sign of (2) an inward and spiritual (3) Grace, given unto us, ordained by (4) Christ himself, as a Means whereby we receive the same [Grace], and a (5) Pledge to (6) assure us thereof.

What kind of Sign is requifite to make a Sacrament? (1)

What kind of Grace must it be an outward vifible Sign of? (2)

Who has Authority to ordain fuch a Sign of Grace? (4)

Who gives this Grace? (4)

Of what Use are Sacraments to us? (5) Of what are Sacraments Means? (3)

What do they as Pledges? (6)

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Q. How many Parts are there in a Sacrament?

A. Two: (1) The outward visible Sign, and (2) the inward spiritual Grace.

Which is the first Part? (1)
Which is the second? (2)

Q. What is the outward visible Sign,

or Form in Baptism?

A. (1) Water, wherein the Person is Baptized, (2) In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

Wherewith are Persons to be Baptized? (1) In whose Name are they to be Baptized? (2)

Q. What is the inward spiritual Grace?

A. A Death unto (1) Sin, and a new Birth unto (2) Righteousness: For being by Nature (3) born in Sin, and the Children of (4) Wrath, we are hereby made the (5) Children of Grace.

What are baptized Persons to die unto? (1)
What are they therein new born to? (2)
What are you and all Persons by Nature? (3)
What are you by Nature Children of, or liable
to? (4)

What are you made by Baptism? (5)

Q. What is required of Persons to be baptized?

A. Repentance, whereby they (1) for-

fake Sin; and Faith, whereby they stedfastly (2) believe the (3) Promises of God made to them in that Sacrament.

What do Persons do when they repent: or by Repentance? (1)

What do they do by Faith? (2)

What Promises (especially in Baptism) are we to believe? (3)

Q. Why then are Infants baptized, when by reason of their tender Age they

cannot perform them?

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A. Because they promise them both by (1) their Sureties: Which Promise, (2) when they come to Age, (3) themselves are bound to perform.

Q. What do Infants promise in Baptism?

A. Both Repentance and Faith.

By whom do they promise them? (1)

Who are bound to perform the Promises made for Infants by their Sureties? (3)

When are they bound to perform them? (2)

Q. Why was the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper ordained?

A. For the (1) continual Remembrance of the (2) Sacrifice of (3) the Death of Christ, and of the (4) Benefits which we receive thereby.

What are we to remember in the Lord's Supper? (3)

What is the Death of Christ here called? (2)

How long is this Sacrifice of Christ's Death to

be remembered? (1)

What else beside the Sacrifice of Christ's Death are we to remember herein ? (4)

Q. What is the outward Part or Sign

of the Lord's Supper?

A. (1) Bread and Wine, which the (2) Lord hath commanded to be received.

What is commanded to be received in the Lord's Supper? (1)

Who has commanded both Bread and Wine to

be received? (2)

Why must we necessarily receive both? (2)

Q. What is the inward Part, or Thing

fignified?

A. (1) The Body and Blood of Christ, which are verily and indeed taken and received by (2) the Faithful in the Lord's Supper.

What is verily and indeed taken and received in

the Lord's Supper? (1)

By whom are the Body and Blood of Christ verily and indeed received in the Lord's Supper? (2)

Q. What are the Benefits whereof we

are Partakers thereby?

A. The strengthening and refreshing of (1) our Souls (2) by the Body and Blood of Christ, (3) as our Bodies are by the Bread and Wine.

What are strengthened and refreshed in the Lord's Supper? (1)

Whereby

Whereby are our Souls strengthened and refreshed? (2)

In what Manner are they strengthened and refreshed? (3)

Q. What is required of them who

come to the Lord's Supper?

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A. To examine themselves (1) whether they [Ist] repent them (2) truly of (3) their former Sins, (4) stedsastly purposing (5) to lead a new Life; [Isd] have (6) a lively Faith in (7) God's Mercy (8) through Christ, [Isld] with a (9) thankful Remembrance of his Death; [IVth] and be in Charity with (10) all Men.

What is the Ist Thing to be examined by them who come to the Lord's Supper? (1)

What are Men to repent of before they come? (3)

How are they to repent of them? (2)

What are they to purpose? (5)

What is the Ild Thing to be examined?

In what must they have this Faith? (7)

What kind of Faith must they have? (6)
Through whom does this lively Faith expect.

Mercy ? (8)

What is the IIId Thing to be examined? What kind of Remembrance must we have of

the Death of Christ? (9)

What is the IVth Thing to be examined?

Whom must they be in Charity with, who will worthily receive the Sacrament? (10)

How are they thus to purpose? (4)

An Explanation of some Words in the Church Catechism, for the easier Understanding thereof.

A Lmighty, able to do all Things.
Afcended, went up.

Catholic, General or Uni-

Descended, went down.

Everlasting, without end.

Ghostly, Spiritual.

Ghoftly Enemy, the De-

Grace, Help or Affistance. Children of Grace, Children of God.

Not hold him Guiltless, will most surely punish.

Hallowed, made boly, or used with Reverence.

Inheritor, Heir.

Neighbour, every Body.

Ordained, oppointed.

Pastor, Minisier. Pledge, Earnest. Pomps, vain-glorious, or evil Sights, Shews, or Dreffes.

Quick, Living; those that shall be found alive upon the Eirth, at the Day of Judgment.

Rehearle, repeat or rec-

Renounce, declareagainst, for sake, and have nothing to do with.

Repentance, Sorrow for Sin, accompanied with a Change of Mind and Life.

Refurrection, a Rising a-

Sabbath, a Day of Reft, or a Time fet opart for Holy Uses.

Sacrifice, an Offering made to God by shedding of Blood.

Saints. Holy Persons.

Sanctifieth, maketh boly. Succour, Comfort, Aid,

or Heip.

Visible, that may be seen.

PRAYERS



PRAYERS

For the USE of the

CHARITY SCHOOLS.

A MORNING PRAYER for the Use of the Masters or Mistresses and Scholars.

Raised be the Lord from the rising up of the Sun, to the going down of the same.

Thou art our God, and we will praise Thee; Thou art our God, and we will thank Thee.

Thou hast made us after thine own Image; Thou daily preservest and providest for us; Thou hast redeemed us by the precious Blood of thy dear Son; Thou hast given us thy holy Word for our Direction, and promised thy Holy Spirit for our Assistance; Thou hast raised up to us Friends and Benefactors, who have taken Care of our Education and Instruc-

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gain this Morning, to teach and to learn that which may be profitable to us.

For these and all thy Favours, Spiritual and Temporal, our Souls do bless and magnify thy holy Name, humbly beseeching Thee to accept this our Morning Sacrifice of Praise and Thanksgiving,

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through Jesus Christ our Lord.

And do thou, O Lord, who hast safely brought us to the Beginning of this Day, defend us in the same by thy mighty Power; and grant that this Day we fall into no Sin, neither run into any kind of Danger; but that all our Doings may be ordered by thy Governance, to do always that which is righteous in thy Sight, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Particularly we beg thy Bleffing upon our present Undertaking. Prevent us, O Lord, in all our Doings with thy most gracious Favour, and further us with thy continual Help; that in these and all our Works begun, continued, and ended in Thee, we may glorify thy holy Name, and finally by thy Mercy obtain everlasting Life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

We humbly acknowledge, O Lord,

the great Imperfection and Disorder both of our Minds, and of our Lives; that we are unable to help ourselves, and unworthy of thy Affistance: But we befeech Thee, through the Merits of our bleffed Redeemer, to pardon our Offences, to enlighten our Understanding, to strengthen our Memories, to fanctify our Hearts, and to guide our Lives. Help us, we pray Thee, to learn and to practife those Things which are good, that we may become ferious Christians. and useful in the World; to the Glory of thy great Name, the Satisfaction of those who have so kindly provided for our Souls and Bodies, and our own prefent and future Well-being.

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Bless and defend, we beseech Thee, from all their Enemies, our most gracious Sovereign Lord King George, our gracious Queen Charle Te, his Royal Highness George Prince of Wales, the Princess Dowager of Wales, and all the Royal Family. Let thy Blessings be also bestowed upon all those in Authority under his Majesty in Church and State; as also upon all our Friends and Benefactors, particularly those who are concerned in the Care of this School.

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Prosper Thou the Work of their Hands. O Lord, prosper Thou their Handy-work.

These Prayers, both for them and ourselves, we humbly offer up in the Name of thy Son Jesus Christ our Redeemer; concluding in his most perfect Form of Words:

Our Father, &c.

An Evening Prayer for the Masters or Mistresses and Scholars.

ACCEPT, we befeech Thee, O Lord, our Evening Sacrifice of Praise and Thanksgiving for all thy Goodness and loving Kindness to us, particularly for the Blessings of this Day, for thy gracious Protection and Preservation, for the Opportunities we have enjoyed for the Instruction and Improvement of our Minds, for all the Comforts of this Life, and the Hope of Life everlasting, throless Christ our Redeemer.

We humbly acknowledge, O Lord, that we are altogether unworthy of the least of all thy Favours, that we continually fall short of our Duty, and have too often transgressed thy holy Laws.

Forgive, most merciful Father, we humbly pray Thee, all the Errors and Transgressions which Thou hast beheld in us the Day past, and help us to express our unseigned Sorrow for what has been amiss, by our Care to amend it.

What we know not, do Thou teach us; instruct us in all the Particulars of our Duty, both towards Thee, and towards Men; and give us Grace always to do those Things which are good and well-pleasing in thy Sight, through Jefus Christ our Lord.

Whatsoever good Instructions have been here given this Day, grant that they may be carefully remembered, and duly followed: And whatsoever good Desires Thou hast put into any of our Hearts, grant that by the Assistance of thy Grace they may be brought to good Essect, that thy Name may have the Honour, and we, with those who are assistant to us in this Work of our Instruction, may have Comfort at the Day of Account, thro' our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

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Lighten our Darkness, we beseech Thee, O Lord, and by thy great Mercy defend us from all Perils and Dangers of this Night; continue to us the Blessings which we enjoy, and help us to testify our Thankfulness for them, by a due Use and Improvement of them.

Bless and defend, we beseech Thee, from all their Enemies, our most gracious Sovereign Lord King GEORGE, our gracious Queen CHARLOTTE, his Royal Highness George Prince of Wales, the Princess Dowager of Wales, and all the Royal Family. Bless also all those in Authority in Church and State, together with all our Friends and Benefactors, particularly those who are concerned in the Care of this School, for whom we are bound in especial Manner to pray. Bless this and all other Schools for Religious and truly Christian Education: And direct and prosper all pious Endeavours for the Propagation of thy Gospel, and promoting Christian Knowledge in the World.

These Praises and Prayers we humbly offer up to thy divine Majesty through the Mediation of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord; in whose holy Name and Words we sum up all our Desires:

Our Father, &c.

A MORNING PRAYER to be used daily by every Child at Home.

GLory be to Thee, O Lord, who hast preserved me from the Perils of the Night past, who hast refreshed me with Sleep, and raised me up again to praise thy holy Name.

I humbly worship Thee, O God, my heavenly Father, thro' Jesus Christ my Redeemer; and I do again devote myself to Thee, desiring to serve Thee faithfully this, and all the Days of my Life.

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I was made thy Child, and the Difciple of thy Son Jesus, by Baptism, and then received the Promise of thy Holy Spirit. Let that good Spirit throughly cleanse me from all the Corruption of my Nature.

Help me to remember Thee, my Creator, in the Days of my Youth.

Preserve me from those Errors and Follies, to which the Frailty of my Age does most expose me, and keep me innocent from every great Offence.

Deliver me from the Vanity of mine own Heart, and from the Temptations of evil Company. Incline my Heart to all that is good, that I may be modest and humble, true and just, temperate and diligent, respectful and obedient to my Superiors; that I may sear and love Thee above all; that I may love my Neighbour as myself, and do to every one as I would they should do unto me.

Let thy good Providence defend me this Day from all Evil: Let the Grace of thy Holy Spirit continually prevent and affift me.

Bless me, I pray Thee, in my Learning; and help me daily to increase in Knowledge, and Wisdom, and all Virtue.

Bless and defend, I beseech Thee, from all their Enemies, our most gracious Sovereign Lord King George, our gracious Queen Charlotte, his Royal Highness George Prince of Wales, the Princess Dowager of Wales, and all the Royal Family.

I humbly beg thy Bleffing also upon all our spiritual Pastors and Masters, all my Relations and Friends, (particularly * my Father and Mother, my Brothers and Sisters, and every one in this House.)

Grant

^{*} Here let every one mention his or her particular Relations.

Grant to them whatsoever may be good for them in this Life, and guide them to Life everlasting.

I humbly commit myself to Thee, O Lord, in the Name of Jesus Christ my Saviour, and in the Words which He himself hath taught us:

Our Father, &c.

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An Evening Prayer to be used daily by every Child at Home.

GLory be to Thee, O Lord, who hast preserved me the Day past, who hast desended me from all the Evils to which I am constantly exposed in this uncertain Life, who hast continued my Health, who hast bestowed upon me all Things necessary for Life and Godliness.

I humbly befeech Thee, O heavenly Father, to pardon whatsoever thou hast feen amiss in me this Day, in my Thoughts, Words, or Actions, [parti-larly*].

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^{*} Here let the Child be instructed by the Master or Mistress, to confess and bewail in particular every Sin which may have been committed by him or her in the Day past; whether [Lying, Taking God's Name in vain, Stealing, Quarrelling, Stubbornness, er any other.]

Make me, O Lord, throughly sensible of the great Wickedness and Corruption of my Nature, and the many Errors of my Life.

Affist me, I pray Thee, in making it my constant Endeavour to resist and conquer every evil Inclination within me, and every Temptation from without.

Help me daily to increase in the Knowledge and Love of Thee, my God,

and of my Saviour Jesus Christ.

Shew me the Way in which I should walk, whilst I am Young, and grant

that I may never depart from it.

Bless to me, I pray, whatsoever good Instructions have been given me this Day; help me carefully to remember them, and duly to improve them, that I may be ever growing in Knowledge, and Wisdom, and Goodness.

Bless and defend, I beseech Thee, from all their Enemies, our most gracious Sovereign Lord King George, our gracious Queen Charlotte, his Royal Highness George Prince of Wales, the Princess Dowager of Wales, and all the Royal Family.

I humbly beg thy Bleffing also upon all our spiritual Pastors and Masters,

all my Relations and Friends, (particularly * my Father and Mother, my Brothers and Sisters, and every one in this House). Let it please Thee to guide us all in this present Life, and to conduct us to thy heavenly Kingdom.

I humbly commit my Soul and Body to thy Care this Night, begging thy gracious Protection and Bleffing, thro' Jesus Christ our only Lord and Saviour; in whose Words I conclude my

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Our Father, &c.

A short PRAYER for Children when they first come into their Seat at Church.

LORD, I am now in thy House; assist, I pray Thee, and accept of my Services. Let thy holy Spirit help my Infirmities, disposing my Heart to Seriousness, Attention, and Devotion, to the Honour of thy Holy Name, and the Benefit of my Soul, through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

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^{*} Here let the Child mention his or her particular Relations.

Before they leave their Seat, thus:

Refied be thy Name, O Lord, for this Opportunity of attending Thee in thy House and Service. Make me, I pray Thee, a Doer of thy Word, not a Hearer only. Accept both us and our Services, through our only Mediator Jesus Christ. Amen.

A Grace before Meat.

SAnctify, O Lord, we befeech Thee, these thy good Creatures to our Use, and us to thy Service, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Grace after Meat.

Bleffed and praised be thy holy Name, O Lord, for these and all thy other Blessings bestowed upon us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

